



PAX HILL

Care home for the elderly

Windsor Suites Quarterly Newsletter

Summer 2017

Hello and Welcome to Windsor Suites Summer 2017 Newsletter

The longest day (Summer Solstice) was on the 21st June. We have had some windy but glorious weather. On one windy day a big oak tree blew down across the drive but this was soon dealt with and the disruption was minimal. The summer flowers are now in full bloom for all to see.

I hope you are all take the opportunity to go out into the gardens and have a look around. The UV is at its highest so please ensure that you wear sun hats and sun cream if possible. We have trips out to various garden centres and The Milestones Museum in Basingstoke booked for the beginning of September. Please ask Lucy for details. Mill Cottage Farm Experience will be coming to visit us again on the 15th August. All the animals will be in the Pax Hill courtyard for all the residents to come and have a look.



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MOTHER'S DAY AFTERNOON TEA AND ENTERTAINMENT

This year we celebrated Mother's Day with afternoon tea with friends and family in the Balmoral lounge on the Saturday before. There was a harpist from Farnham to make the afternoon a memorable one.



THE ROCK CHOIR

A local Rock Choir came to visit us in the afternoon, Sunday 2nd April. They were on a mystery tour, visiting various venues in the local area. Although I did not attend this event residents that went to see them were very impressed. It was a beautiful sunny afternoon and some residents went down to watch them while others just listened from open windows.

GARDENING CLUB

This year's gardening club members have been very busy sowing seeds, watering and potting on plants. We also had a couple of very interesting afternoons looking at photos of residents gardens that they had in the past, talking about happy times spent in them and the hard work it takes to maintain a garden. All the plants grown were for this year's Pax Hill Summer Fete held on the Sunday 9th July.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO

Mrs Walkerdine, Doris Read,
Tony Selwyn,
Suzanne Blake Wilson and
Dr John Dauncey



Happy Birthday to Cynthia who was 101 years old this month.



A VISIT TO GILBERT WHITE'S GARDEN AND THE OATES COLLECTION

The Head Gardener from Gilbert White's Garden has given a few talks at Pax Hill. A small group of residents returned the visit.

It is a small garden in Selborne, a nearby village off the A31.

The garden is more for reflection, as access is possible for wheelchairs but difficult to see the whole garden. We could look around ground floor level of the Oates Collection but the Tea Room was very small. Luckily it was not too busy. The cake was very good. I would advise going on a quiet day.



TALKS, TALKS, TALKS AND POETRY PLEASE

We have had quite a few talks in the last few months; An Easter talk plus chocolate tasting, Baden Powell's life history, Everything but the Squeak, with piggy nibbles all by Kate; Memories of Trek Peru by Ann and The wildlife in My Garden talk and slide show given to the gardening club by Lucy. All very interesting and well worth attending.

Also, Poetry Please which is my particular favourite when I love listening to residents reciting their favourite poems. Just Fabulous!



By Popular Request, We are pleased to announce the

Pax Hill Trolley!

Launching on *Monday 17th July*

Every Monday 10.30 – 11.30

We will stock :-

Sweet and Savoury Nibbles,
Stationary, Toiletries.

Cash Only



WINDSOR ACTIVITIES NEWS

On Windsor we have been getting ready for the summer fete. Residents have been helping make tissue paper flowers decorations, planting seeds and potting on plants for the plant stall.

Tony has been making woolly hats for Naomi House a charity for hospices for children and young adults in Alton. You can purchase the hats and all proceeds go to the charity.

We have had real fun on quiz afternoons. Scrabble club on a Monday afternoon and Thursday morning gets our brains active. All new members welcome.

Holy Communion (C of E) has been changed to a Friday afternoons the dates to be arranged. Please keep a look out for posters on the notice board. At Easter David Lloyd Gyms donated lots of Easter Eggs and a free raffle took place to distribute them amongst the residents on Windsor.

I hope you all enjoyed the summer picnic and Pax Hill summer fete. Thank you to all that attended and made the events special and all the donation and help.



4TH JULY SUMMER PICNIC

This is an annual event and it's a chance for residents to come and have a picnic lunch with Pimms Lemonade outside on the Balmoral terrace. The entertainer this year was Paul Nicholas and everyone really enjoyed this very talented entertainer. Singing along and even a bit of dancing. Thank you to all the staff for their help and all the hard work on the afternoon.



PAX HILL SUMMER FETE

The sun shone on the well attended event and made it a great afternoon of fun, friends and fabulous entertainment. The Scouts band and Choir made the afternoon. All the fun of this year's Pax Hill Summer Fete. Refreshments included traditional Nepalese food, BBQ, Cream Teas, refreshing home-made lemonade and, of course, ice creams. We were spoilt for choice! A raffle was held and there were numerous stalls including gifts, cakes, tombola and the craft stall. Thank you to all those who attended, helped and donated raffle/tombola prize. The Mayor of Alton attended and enjoyed the afternoon. This year the charity we supported was Dementia UK.

The plants and book stall raised over £300 and looked delightful thanks to the Windsor suites gardening club. Thank you to Anne Johnson for helping me on the day with the plant stall.





Thank You to the Companies that support and donated to this year's raffle:

- Bird World
- Forest Lodge Garden Centre
- Highland Crown
- Charles Read and Daughter
- True Story Photography
- Grayshott Pottery
- Jenkyn Place
- Vineyard
- Jane Austen's House Museum
- Squire's Garden Centres
- Bentley Stores
- Cheesemans Fruit and Veg
- Tilly the Avon Lady
- P R Launderers Ltd



DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 3rd July	Wimbledon Fortnight Begins	Wimbledon Fortnight Begins
Tuesday 4th July - 12noon	Summer Picnic - Paul Nicholas Entainer	Balmoral Terrace
Sunday 9th July - 2pm - 4pm	Pax Hill Summer Fete	Pax Hill Court Yard
Tuesday 11th July 3pm	Strawberries and Cream/ Wimbledon	All Units
Thursday 13th July 1.30 - 3pm	Purls of wisdom - Knitting Club	Windsor Lounge
Saturday 15th July	Ladies Finals on TV	
Sunday 16th July	Mens Finals on TV	
Tuesday 18th July 1 - 2pm	David and his piano	Montgomery Lounge
Wednesday 19th July 2 - 3pm	Inter Unit Bingo	Montgomery Activities Rm
Thursday 20th July 2 - 3pm	Desert Island Discs	Montgomery Lounge
Friday 21st July 2.30-3.30pm	Holy Communion C of E	Balmoral Lounge
Tuesday 25th July Pick Up 1pm	Visit to Badshot lea Garden Centre	
Thursday 27th July 2 -3pm	Inter Unit Dominoes	Montgomery Activities Rm
Wednesday 2nd August 2 -3pm	Poetry Please	Balmoral Lounge
Friday 4th August 11am	Holy Communion Catholic	Montgomery Activities Rm
Thursday 10th August 1.30 -3pm	Purls of wisdom - Knitting Club	Windsor Lounge
Tuesday 15th August 2 -3pm	Mill Cottage Farm Experiiece	Pax Hill Court Yard
Wednesday 16th August Pick Up 1pm	Visit to Country Market Garden Centre	
Thursday 17th August 2 -3pm	Where in the World	Montgomery Lounge
Friday 18th August 2.30 - 3.30pm	Holy Communion C of E	Balmoral Lounge

Tuesday 22nd August 1 -2pm	David and his piano	Montgomery Lounge
Wednesday 23rd August 2 -3pm	Cheese and Wine	Balmoral Lounge
Thursday 24th August 2 -3pm	Inter Unit Bingo	Montgomery Activities Rm
Friday 1st September 11am	Holy Communion Catholic	Montgomery Activities Rm
Tuesday 5th September Pick Up 10.30am	Milestones Museum - Back down Memory Lane	Basingstoke
Wednesday 13th September 2 - 3pm	High Society Talk by Kate with refreshments	Balmoral Lounge
Thursday 14th September 1.30 -3pm	Purls of wisdom - Knitting Club	Windsor Lounge
Friday 15th September 2.30 - 3.30pm	Holy Communion C of E	Balmoral Lounge
Wednesday 20th September 2 -3pm	Inter Unit Dominoes	Montgomery Activities Rm
Wednesday 27th September 10.30am	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Balmoral Lounge

There are still lots of dates to be confirmed, please see notice boards on each floor